

## Comparative Analysis Using Documents

1. Read Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Research the events around the speech, then answer the following questions:
  - a. When was the speech given?
  - b. How long was the speech?
  - c. Why did Lincoln give the speech at Gettysburg?
  - d. What purpose did the speech serve in the conduct of the war going forward?
2. Watch President Reagan's speech at Point du Hoc, France in 1984. The link for the speech is here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eElqdcHbc8I>.
  - a. What are some of the similarities to the Gettysburg Address?
  - b. How are the speeches different?
  - c. Reagan has often been called the Great Communicator, and Lincoln has been referred to as one of the greatest political writers in our country's history. What are some of the similarities that you see in the two presidents? What are some key differences?
3. After reading and viewing these speeches, why do you think it is important for presidents to give speeches like this?